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NOTIFICATION

Sub-Regional Workshops for Central Africa and for South and East Africa on Capacity Building for Implementation of the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas

Dear Madam/Sir,

I wish to advise you of a change in dates for two upcoming workshops in Africa for the CBD programme of work on protected areas. The workshop for South and East Africa (planned for 24-28 October 2011 in Cape Town, vide CBD notification 2011-132), and the workshop for Central Africa (planned for 28 November-2 December 2011 in Yaoundé, vide CBD notification 2011-133) are effectively postponed. These two workshops will be combined into one workshop for Central, South and East Africa to be held at the end of January 2012 (dates to be confirmed) in Cape Town.

Nominations for the workshop for South and East Africa following the above notification were received from Botswana, Burundi, Comoros, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, South Africa, Swaziland, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. Nominations for the workshop for Central Africa were received from Central African Republic and Democratic Republic of Congo. I extend my gratitude to Parties that have already nominated delegates to attend these workshops, noting that these nominations remain valid.

I look forward to receiving nominations from those countries that have not yet done so. CBD primary focal points of these countries should provide the name, contact details and *curriculum vitae* of their nominee via official signed letter to the Executive Secretary by **21 November 2011** (faxed to +1 514 288-6588, or scanned and emailed to secretariat@cbd.int) to allow the Secretariat to make economical travel arrangements. The workshop will be held in English and French with interpretation provided. A revised information note for participants will be posted on the CBD website at http://www.cbd.int/meetings/.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation and for your continued support for the work of the Convention.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ahmed Djoghlaf Executive Secretary

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